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In re Application of:

RUBINSTEIN et al.

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For: A DEVICE AND METHOD FOR  
MANAGING FAULT DETECTION AND  
FAULT ISOLATION IN VOICE AND  
DATA NETWORKS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 29, 2004 and received prior to the current Request for Continuing Examination, the Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration of the above captioned patent application in view of the arguments set forth below.